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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Tomoharu HASE) : Examiner: H. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/145,982) : Group Art Unit: 2851
Filed: September 3, 1998) : Confirmation No.: 6632
For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE) : Allowed: August 11, 2004
MANUFACTURING METHOD) :
INCLUDING GAS PURGING OF A) August 27, 2004
SPACE CONTAINING OPTICAL)
COMPONENTS)

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Commissioner for Patents
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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

Sir:

Applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and a Notice of Allowability dated August 11, 2004, in the above-identified application, in which the Notice of Allowance lists the TITLE OF INVENTION as "EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD INCLUDING GAS PURGING OF A SPACE CONTAIN OPTICAL COMPONENTS."

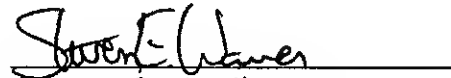
The title as listed contains a misspelled word. Specifically, the thirteenth word "CONTAIN" should read -- CONTAINING --. Applicant, therefore, requests that the TITLE OF INVENTION be corrected to read -- EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND DEVICE

MANUFACTURING METHOD INCLUDING GAS PURGING OF A SPACE CONTAINING OPTICAL COMPONENTS --. Accordingly, Applicant requests that a corrected Notice of Allowance be issued to make this correction.

Applicant believes that no fees should be incurred in connection with filing this paper. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205 should any fees be associated therewith. A duplicate of this document is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,



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